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FDIC ANNOUNCES DEPOSIT ASSUMPTION OF THE DOMINION BANK OF DENVER, DENVER, COLORADO

The Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation today announced that the deposit liabilities of The Dominion Bank of Denver, Denver, Colorado, have been assumed by Central Bank at Stapleton, N.A., a subsidiary of Central Bancorporation, Inc., Denver, Colorado. Dominion's two offices will reopen on Monday, October 3, as Central Bank and its depositors automatically will become depositors of Central Bank. The transaction has been approved by the appropriate court.

Dominion was closed September 30, 1983, by Colorado State Bank Commissioner Richard B. Doby. Mr. Doby said the bank's insolvancy resulted from a substantial capital impairment.

The deposit assumption was made possible with assistance from the FDIC and avoids the necessity for a payoff of the estimated 2,600 accounts in the failed bank. It also prevents possible financial loss to the owners of deposits that exceed the statutory insurance limit of \$100,000.

In addition to assuming about \$12.7 million in deposits and other liabilities, Central Bank has agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$300,000. The assuming bank will purchase the failed bank's securities, installment loans and certain other assets. To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance cash amounting to \$7.5 million to the assuming bank. In addition, the FDIC will retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of approximately \$8.1 million.

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The FDIC approved the deposit assumption under its authority to do so whenever it determines that such a transaction will reduce the potential loss to the Corporation. The Board of Directors made such a finding in this case because of the premium paid by Central Bank. The FDIC expects to recover a substantial portion of its outlay through the liquidation of assets not transferred to the assuming bank. In this respect, the FDIC notes that its claim will have priority over the claims of the shareholders of the closed bank.

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